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DLNR LISTENING SESSION ON MOLOKAI FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2011

MOLOKAI — The Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) is visiting Molokai to conduct a Listening Session on Friday, October 7, 2011. The DLNR Chairperson William J. Aila, Jr., First Deputy Guy H. Kaulukukui, and Water Deputy Bill M. Tam from Honolulu, is visiting Molokai to hear community comments, questions, and concerns regarding topics under the Department's jurisdiction. This is part of a series of DLNR Listening Sessions to be conducted statewide.

The DLNR is responsible for managing 1.3 million acres of state land, 3 million acres of state ocean waters, 2 million acres of conservation district lands, our drinking water supply, our fisheries, coral reefs, indigenous and endangered flora and fauna, and all of Hawaii's historic and cultural sites. The DLNR's management responsibilities are vast and complex, from the mountaintops to three miles seaward of our beautiful coasts. The health of Hawaii's environment is integral and directly related to its economy and quality of life.

For more on DLNR and its divisions visit <u>www.hawaii.gov/dlnr</u>. If you are unable to attend but would like to send your comments, questions, and concerns to the DLNR, please e-mail: <u>DLNR2011ListeningSessions@hawaii.gov</u>

Molokai Public Listening Session
Friday, October 7, 2011
4 – 6 pm
Mitchell Pauole Community Center
90 Ainoa Street, Kaunakakai, Molokai, Hawaii 96748

Individuals requiring special assistance or accommodations are asked to contact the DLNR at (808) 587-0320 at least four days in advance of the meeting.

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